

### **El Paso Police Department**

#### **Mayor** Oscar Leeser

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### **NEWS RELEASE**

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# **Four Arrested Selling Pirated Music**

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City Manager Tommy Gonzalez Date/Time: 08-15-15 @ 10:49am

Location: 8404 Alameda (Bronco Swap meet)

Victim: Recording Industry Association of America
Offender: Sergio Hernandez, 32 years old of El Paso Texas
Offender: Karla Delgado, 25 years old of Juarez Mexico
Offender: Benito Almaraz, 58 years old of El Paso Texas
Offender: Jesse Rojo, 31 years old of El Paso Texas

EL PASO, TX: Four people have been arrested for selling pirated music at a local swap meet. On Saturday, August 16, 2015 at around 10:49am Officers from the Mission Valley Regional Command assisted by Investigators with the Recording Industry Association of America, conducted an operation at the Bronco Swap Meet located at 8404 Alameda targeting pirated music sales. The four people arrested, 32 year old Sergio Hernandez, 25 year old Karla Delgado, 58 year old Benito Almaraz and 31 year old Jesse Rojo were all working at different booths and selling pirated music. Undercover investigators were able to purchase the pirated music from one of the vendors and witnessed the others selling to customers. The four people were charged with the offense of Labeling which is a felony offense in the Business and Commerce Code. They have all been booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility. Hernandez, Almaraz and Rojo all had bonds set at \$7,500.00 while Delgado had bond set at \$5,000.00. Investigators advised that additional arrests are possible and that future operations will be conducted in the El Paso region.

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